



YORK TOWNSHIP
DEMOCRATIC ORGANIZATION

Celebrating Our 55th Anniversary

Annual St. Patrick's Dinner



HONORING

ROBERTA LYNCH

Deputy Director, AFSCME Council 31

DAN KOTOWSKI

Illinois State Senator

Sunday, March 20, 2011

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Program

Entertainment

Mother Jones performed by Betsy Means

Music – Jim McCormick

Pledge of AllegianceAhmed Sayyed
Welcome.....Carol B. Davis
Introduction of Guest of Honor – Senator Dan Kotowski.....Robert Wagner
Guest of Honor Address.....Senator Dan Kotowski

DINNER

Mother Jones

performed by Betsy Means

Introduction of Guest of Honor – Roberta Lynch.....Dirk Enger
Guest of Honor Address.....Roberta Lynch, Deputy Director of AFSCME

Jane Heckman Award/Exemplary Social Service.....Darwin McBeth Walton
Presented by Carol B Davis

Daniel T Smyth Award/Committeeman of the Year.....Nadin Stachon
Presented by Carol B Davis

Bag Raffle.....Bob Wagner, Doug Cole, Ann Marie Testa,
Nadin Stachon, J. Angel Cardenas

St. Patrick's Day in May Dinner Menu

Spinach Mandarin Salad

Chicken Limone

Fresh Vegetable Medley

Twice Baked Potato

Creamy Cheesecake topped with Blueberries



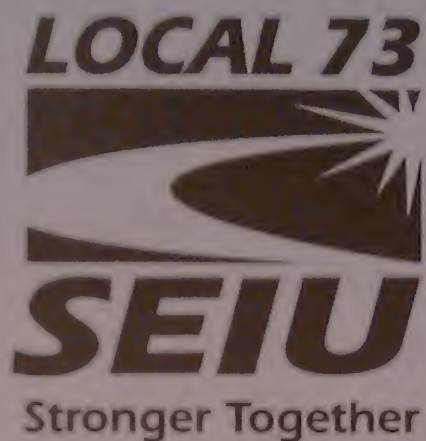
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We appreciate the interest in the York Township Democratic Organization taken by these local businesses and groups. We urge you to take an interest in them as well. Patronize them, thank them for their support, and let them know you saw their ad in this booklet.

Thank you,
Carol B. Davis



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Our Best Wishes to Darwin McBeth Walton
Awarded the 2010 YTDO Jane Heckman Award

We thank you for your inspiration in reminding us that
"Ordinary people can do extraordinary things!"

Carol B Davis
Chairwoman
York Township Democratic Organization

Congratulation to Jim Walsh!
Winner of the DPDC Tinker Harvey Award!

Thank you for reminding us to be proud of the
History of Democrats in DuPage County!



In Memory of our Dear Friend, Jane Heckman,
"Who is organizing the heavens as we speak....."

York Township Democratic Organization

Honored Guest Speaker

Dan Kotowski

Illinois State Senator



"In the three years that I have been in the Senate I have been committed to ending waste, fraud, corruption, and mismanagement in state government....The people of Illinois deserve no less."

Dan Kotowski is the State Senator from Illinois' 33rd district. This northwest suburban Cook County district had been under longtime Republican control, with no Democrat at all running for it in 2002. In 2006, Dan Kotowski challenged Republican Cheryl Axley who had recently been appointed to the seat, and won narrowly. In 2008, Kotowski was re-elected to his seat with nearly sixty percent of the vote.

In the State Senate, Kotowski has been a leader fighting for veterans funding, insurance reform, governmental transparency, and sensible gun laws. Considered a likely future candidate for statewide office, Kotowski is clearly a rising star within Illinois government and the Democratic Party.

Honored Guest Speaker

Roberta Lynch

Deputy Director of AFSCME Council 31



"The Koch brothers are determined to have world without unions where people are left defenseless and working people have no voice. We must stand united."

Roberta Lynch came to Council 31 after serving as Research Director of the Chicago Area Committee on Occupational Safety and Health. Her first post with the Council was a Public Policy Director, a position she assumed in 1984. She became Deputy Director in 1993. Lynch's career has been dedicated to the rights of working people, to equal opportunity, and to economic justice. A Philadelphia native, she is a graduate of Duquesne University and was previously involved in a number of community and political organizing efforts. She is also the co-author of *Rusted Dreams: Hard Times in a Steel Community*, which chronicles the decline of the steel industry in Southeast Chicago.

"Whether you are a member of a labor union or not, we are all members of the labor movement now," said Lynch. "We know that cooperation is the best way to solve problems, and we're ready to cooperate, but we're not ready to lie down and be anybody's doormat."

Darwin McBeth Walton

Recipient of Jane Heckman Award



Darwin McBeth Walton believes that ordinary people can do extraordinary things. She has been called a pathfinder in the field of education and a social activist for most of her career. She was elected Outstanding Woman Leader in the field of Racial Justice in DuPage County in 1998. As a long-time presenter in the Author in the Schools program and the Open Book after-school program in inner city Chicago, Walton frequently speaks at classrooms and libraries throughout the Chicago Metropolitan area. Since 1978 Walton has designed and facilitated five courses in teacher education for National-Louis University. In 2003 she was honored with the Distinguished Alumni Humanitarian Award at NLU.

Walton brings twenty-five years of public School teaching experience to her writing for children, and is dedicated to the belief that acceptance is the first law of teaching and learning. Her landmark book, *What Color Are You?* Published by Johnson Publishing Co., is celebrating its 30th year, was one of the first books about America's diversity to be used in public schools. Much of Walton's writing is about acceptance and inclusion in the multi-cultural and diverse society in which our children are growing up today. She has published over 30 books while actively fighting for inclusion and economic justice in her own special way based on creativity, determination, and a love for others that is truly unique.

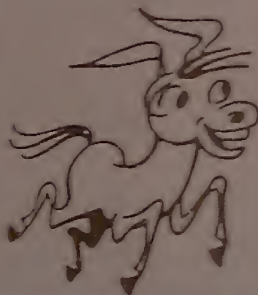


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Carol B Davis
Chairperson, YTDO

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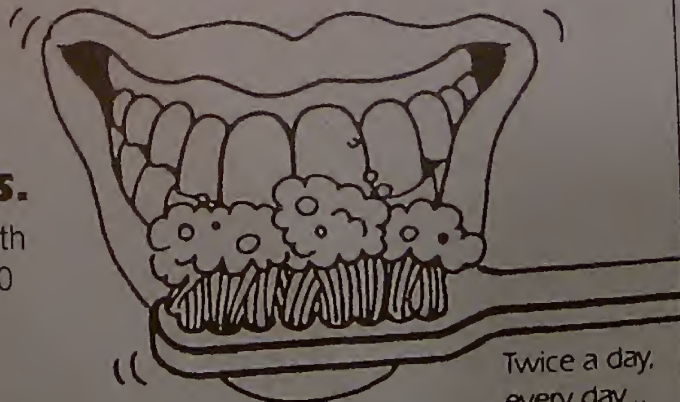
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York Township Democratic Organization

"Our 55th Anniversary"

The York Township Democratic Organization was chartered on January 23, 1956. By 1958 a total organization was in place dedicated to the principles of the Democratic party. In 1959 the first of our annual St. Patrick's Dinner was held with the purpose of raising money for Democratic candidates and causes.

St. Patrick's Tradition

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| 1959 Judge Otto Kerner | 1986 United States Senator Alan J. Dixon |
| 1960 R. Sargent Shriver, Jr. | 1987 Illinois State Comptroller
Roland W. Burris |
| 1961 State Rep. Paul Simon from Troy, IL | 1988 United States Candidates for Congress
William Anable & Evelyn Craig |
| 1962 Dinner Dance with
Jerry Kay Orchestra | 1989 Honorarium to Daniel T. Smyth |
| 1963 Governor Otto Kerner | 1990 York Township Supervisor
Mark D. Starkovich |
| 1964 Elmhurst Country Club/Dinner Dance | 1991 Illinois State Comptroller
Dawn Clark Netsch |
| 1965 Governor Otto Kerner | 1992 Illinois State Senator Tad Leverson |
| 1966 State Auditor Michael J. Hovsett | 1993 Illinois State Treasurer Patrick Quinn |
| 1967 State Chairman James A. Bonan | 1994 "Mr. DuPage Democrat"
Truman Kirkpatrick |
| 1968 Secretary of State Paul Powell | 1995 Chairman National Democratic
Committee David Willens |
| 1969 Adlai Stevenson III, Honoring
Gov. Sam Shapiro | 1996 United States Senator Paul Simon |
| 1970 State Treasurer Adlai Stevenson III | 1997 Cook County Clerk David Orr |
| 1971 Superintendent of Public Instruction
Dr. Michael J. Bakalis | 1998 Senator Richard J. Durbin |
| 1972 Presidential Candidate Edmund Muskie | 1999 Judge Albert J. Marra |
| 1973 Secretary of State Michael J. Hovsett | 2000 U.S. Congressman Rod Blagojevich |
| 1974 Senator Adlai E. Stevenson III | 2001 State Rep. Jeff Schoenberg |
| 1975 Illinois Speaker of the House
William A. Raskin | 2002 State Senator Terry Link |
| 1976 State Treasurer Alan Dixon | 2003 Illinois Secretary of State Jane Byrne |
| 1977 Illinois State Comptroller
Michael J. Bakalis | 2004 State Rep. Linda Chape LAVis |
| 1978 All Local Candidates | 2005 Governor W. Dept of Labor Art Ludwig |
| 1979 Secretary of State Alan Dixon | 2006 Rev. James M. Wall and William C.
Kauf, Belling Forum Commisssioner |
| 1981 Illinois House Speaker
William A. Raskin | 2007 State Rep. Karen Yarbrough |
| 1982 Illinois candidate for Attorney General
Neil F. Hartigan | 2008 Jill Morganstern & Scott Harper |
| 1983 United States Senator Alan J. Dixon | 2009 Congressman Dan Schakowsky |
| 1984 Illinois House Speaker
Michael J. Madigan | 2010 Sheila Simon, AZ Governor Candidate |
| 1985 United States Senator Paul Simon | 2011 State Senator Dan Koppelman
Roberta Lynch, Deputy Dir. AFSCME |

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Quotes of John F. Kennedy

The first Irish-American Catholic President Elect

I look forward to a great future for America - a future in which our country will match its military strength with our moral reputation, its wealth with its wisdom, its power with our purpose.

John F. Kennedy

If a free society cannot help the many who are poor, it cannot save the few who are rich.

John F. Kennedy

If we cannot now end our differences, at least we can help make the world safe for diversity.

John F. Kennedy

Modern cynics and skeptics... see no harm in paying those to whom they entrust the minds of their children a smaller wage than is paid to those to whom they entrust the care of their plumbings.

John F. Kennedy

Let us never negotiate out of fear. But let us never fear to negotiate.

John F. Kennedy

Our progress as a nation can be no swifter than our progress in education. The human mind is our fundamental resource.

John F. Kennedy

The great enemy of the truth is very often not the lie, deliberate, contrived and dishonest, but the myth, persistent, persuasive and unrealistic.

John F. Kennedy

Tolerance implies no lack of commitment to one's own beliefs. Rather it conderans the oppression or persecution of others.

John F. Kennedy

Too often we... enjoy the comfort of opinion without the discomfort of thought.

John F. Kennedy

There are risks and costs to action. But they are far less than the long range risks of comfortable inaction.

John F. Kennedy

We believe that if men have the talent to invent new machines that put men out of work, they have the talent to put those men back to work.

John F. Kennedy

And so, my fellow Americans, ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for your country.

John F. Kennedy

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